PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 Sir:

the Same

The above-identified applicant respectfully requests a three-month extension of time within which to file a response to the Office Action dated June 6, 2003, to expire December 6, 2003. A check in the amount of \$475.00 is enclosed herewith to cover the fee for a three-month extension.

Please charge any additional fees, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account 11-0855. A duplicate copy of this sheet is attached.

Respectfully submitted,

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